

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA SUBCOMMITTEE**  
**Environment, Planning & Resource Management**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION REPORT AND SUMMARY**  
**December 7, 2006**

Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Council Member Karin Uhlich, Ward 3 (Chair)  
Vice Mayor Carol West, Ward 2  
Council Member Nina Trasoff, Ward 6

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karen Masbruch, Assistant City Manager

**OTHER STAFF PRESENT:** David Modeer, Tucson Water  
Dennis Rule, Tucson Water  
David Cormier, Tucson Water  
Barbara Buus, Tucson Water  
Michael McCrory, City Attorney  
Chris Avery, City Attorney  
Albert Elias, Urban Planning  
Chris Kaselemis- Urban Planning  
Jim Glock, Transportation  
Benny Young, Parks & Recreation

<b>AGENDA ITEM/MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACTION</b>	<b>STAFF ACTION</b>
<p><b>8. Water Resource Fee</b></p> <p>David Modeer from Tucson Water explained the capital costs related to the acquisition of the new allocation of 8,206 acre feet under the Gila River Indian Settlement.</p> <p>Jim Barry from the Citizen's Water Advisory Committee (CWAC) explained the committees' 7 to 6 split over approving moving the recommended rate increase forward to full Mayor and Council. CWAC will meet again regarding the fee on January 10, 2006, and their recommendation will be brought back to the EPRM Subcommittee at the January 11, 2006 meeting. The Subcommittee members agreed to forward a statement to CWAC affirming that growth should be paying for itself, especially in this key area of water and that there be recognition of this in terms of acquisition of new water resources.</p> <p>Lori Lustig from SAHBA spoke regarding their views regarding their views related to the water resource fee.</p>	<p>Council Member Trasoff moved that the subcommittee provide an affirmation statement to CWAC.</p> <p>Vice Mayor West seconded the motion.</p>
<p><b>7. System Equity Fee Increase</b></p> <p>David Cormier from Tucson Water informed the subcommittee that CWAC unanimously approved the system equity fee increase.</p>	<p>Council Member Uhlich motioned that the item be forwarded to full Mayor &amp; Council.</p> <p>Council Member Trasoff Seconded the motion.</p>

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<p><b>6. Southern Arizona Water User's Association (SAWUA) Update:</b> Dennis Rule from Tucson Water provided an update on SAWUA's proposal and recommendation report. David Modeer indicated that Tucson Water will continue to work to make sure that the interests of Pima County are united.</p>	<p>Staff is informed. No action taken.</p>
<p><b>9. State CAP Board Update:</b> David Modeer provided a brief update from the December 7, 2006 meeting held in Phoenix, where new members of the CAP board were sworn in.</p>	<p>Staff is informed No action taken.</p>
<p><b>5. Sign Code Amendment for PADs:</b> Craig Gross from Development Services spoke regarding the proposed amendment to the sign code for PADs and requested approval to present the amendments to the Citizen's Sign Code Committee (CSCC) for their review.</p>	<p>Council Member Trasoff moved to forward item back to the CSCC with understanding of strict parameters. Vice Mayor West seconded the motion. Council Member Uhlich concurred.</p>
<p><b>3. Ecological &amp; Cultural Heritage Area Designation (ECHA):</b> Albert Elias and Michael Wyneken from Urban Planning gave a brief update to the committee regarding the ECHA. The ECHA would be a designated geographic area governed by an additional set of policies designed to identify, protect, and hopefully preserve environmental systems, historic landscapes and historic land uses. The policies governing the ECHA would be established in a new overlay created in the General Plan.</p>	<p>Staff is informed. No action was taken.</p>
<p><b>4. Impact Fee Update:</b> Albert Elias from Urban Planning gave an update regarding the procedural changes to the ordinance. Jim Glock from Transportation spoke regarding the projected project list for the next five years. Benny Young from Parks and Recreation presented a draft list of Parks projects which would be planned and designed in the first year, with project implementation occurring in the second year. Full Mayor and Council will review the Impact Fee lists for approval at their January 17, 2007 meeting.</p>	<p>Staff is informed. No action was taken.</p>
<p><i>Next Meeting is scheduled for January 11, 2007 at 3:00PM in the Mayor and Council Chambers</i></p>	
<p><b>Meeting Adjourned at 5:03 p.m.</b></p>	